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4J1FS, MALYJ VYSOTSKIJ. Right before OPDX was going to press, Jari, OH2BU, sent the details for the upcoming 1992 M-V Island DXpedition. Here are some of the main details with more to follow next week: The two week operation will start May 26th and end June 9th. There will be 24 operators (14 OH ops and 10 UA ops) with five stations on-the-air simultanously, with multi-band beams and verticals. They will operate 160-10 meters including the WARC, on SSB, CW, RTTY and with the possibility of some other digital modes (AMTOR, Packet) during the second week of operations. The QSL route will be announced later.

A5, BHUTAN. It was reported that a station signing A5/HA5BUS was spotted in Europe on 21010 kHz. There were some Hungarians indicating that the HA5BUS gang was waiting for permission to operate. UPDATE 5/1: It was reported on the W2MIG DX net that the Hungarians received permission to operate and have crossed over into Bhutan. They are expected to be QRV for three weeks. G0NXJ has reported hearing A5/HA5BUS on April 30th, on 21025 at 0030z. There has not been any A5 spots reported on the Ohio/Penn Network yet.

FY, FRENCH GUYANA. Didier, ex-FH5EF, signing FY5FY, was active on 7005 kHz around 0045z and will be in FY-land for 3 years. Also active from here is FY/KD3FK who has been heard on 28444 kHz around 1845z and 14224 kHz around 2330z. FY5EW on 7018 and 7053 kHZ between 0300 to 0417z. QSL FY5EW to F6BFH.

JW, SVALBARD. Beginning May 4th, look for Math, LA5NM, to sign JW5NM for the next 2 to 3 years.

P5, NORTH KOREA. Jim Smith, VK9NS, stated on the Heard Island DX Assn. Net, April 28th, that he and Romeo have been discussing a joint venture to P5. There was also a discussion on the uses of a better QSL route than the present one Romeo uses. Jim stated that P5 will be on very soon. KYFC!

SATELLITE DX. Heard lately on OSCAR-13: UL7T/UM8MM, QSL via Oleg Mir, Box 806, EE0017 Tallinn, Estonia via Sweden; FM5AB (via CBA); YP0A (via homecall DV8VH); PJ2CU (via Jack Caljouw, POB 3927 Willemstad, Curacao Neth. Antilles); PY2ACM (via Buro). C53GS (operated by ON5FF), Mode J only due to having no license to transmit on 435 MHz; QSL via European Satellite DX Fund, POB 26, B-2550 Kontich, Belgium. Up coming activity: JD1 (Ogasawara) by JA3GEP (6/15-6/17), JW (Svalbard) JW/DL6DBM (7/19-7/31) and Vlad, UM8MM says he hopes to operate from UH (Turkoman) later this

- year, if the political situation permits.
- SO, WESTERN SAHARA. SORASD made a surprise visit on the air this week on 14202 around 0100z. QSL via EA2JG.
- S2, BANGLADESH. It is rumored that one of the Hungarians (Imre), from HA5BUS group, has stayed in Bangladesh to try to extend their license there. This would put A5 and S2 on the air at the same time. It has also been reported that Eric (WZ6C) is still signing HA5BUS/S2 (reverse suffix!) and has still not received his own licence to operate.
- S7, SEYCHELLES. Franco, I4LCK, who has been active from Ile Desroches (IOTA A-033) as S79CK/D, will be QRT May 5th. QSL via I4LCK. Marko, S79HP, was active this week on 28493 kHz around 2000z and on 24954 kHz around 1645z. Also S79KMB has been heard on 21313 kHz around 2000-2100z. QSL S79KMB via KN2N (90CB).
- U1RC, UKRAINE. U1RC will be active thru May 8th in celebration of the first Rotary Club established in the Ukraine. Operator Nickoli (RT4UA) was heard on 18157 kHz around 1700z, 21308 kHz around 1330z and 10103 kHz around 0145z. QSL via KA1DWX.
- V7, MARSHALL ISLANDS. Scott, KB6CC, was heard from Majuro Island (OC-029) signing V73EU on 14263 kHz around 0530z. He should be active for another week or two. QSL via KB6CC.
- VKO, ANTARCTICA. Graham, VKONE, is a communications expert attached to the VKO DAVIS Antarctica base. When Graham finds time he checks into the 14226 DX net around 1100z. Many stations across the USA who have worked VKONE have found there are different and unusual paths to work Graham. On April 30th (around 1400z), Scotty, WK3N, in PA, worked him "over the pole." QSL route and length of stay is unknown at this time.
- VP8, SOUTH GEORGIA ISLANDS. It was announced that there is a new operator on the island. Keith, VP8CKB, is the new operator and has a stateside manager of K1IED. His operating practices and length of stay are unknown at this time, but OPDX will keep you informed.
- XV, VIETNAM. XV7TH periodically appears on 14195 kHz around 1415z. Also check 21295 or 21030 kHz between 1200 to 1600z. QSL via SK7AX.
- ZL8, KERMEDEC ISLANDS. The announced ZL8 operation on April 21st and 28th never materialized. Both Jim, VK9NS, and Ron, ZL1AMO, said they had heard nothing from ZL8RS.
- QSLS IN MAIL. Cards for XYORR are being received from both Moscow and W8BLA who collected QSL cards for those who could not make it to Dayton's Hamvention to see Romeo..... VP8BZL Falkland Islands cards are being received from the South Sandwich DXpedition Team. Included in the cards is a special offer on how to obtain a special commerative T-shirt with a VP8SSI logo...... KP1 NAVASSA cards are out..... YA5MM cards are also being received....

IS BOUVET ISLAND AND PETER I ISLAND DXPEDITIONS IN THE FUTURE? They could be! It was announced by Tony, WA4JQS, at the Dayton Hamvention, that the South Sandwich DXpedition Team has formed a group to concentrate on rare DXCC countries below the 47 parallel.

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